

LOCAL MILITARY MATTERS.

THE GARRISON OF FORT SUMTER SWEAR ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

The Keypoint boat Arrowhead took a large number of ladies and gentlemen to Fort Hamilton yesterday afternoon, where the garrison of Fort Sumter took formal allegiance anew to the flag of the Union, in accordance with recent measures of the War Department requiring soldiers and sailors to renew their oaths. Inside of the Fort, about three hundred people gathered at the appointed hour, soon after which the men, sixty in number, not in holding offices, marched in excellent style, holding up, and apparently in good humor with themselves, marching to the music of the band. Capt. Douglass took them through various exercises, which they performed in a manner showing highly of their discipline. The Rev. H. W. Beecher was called upon to say prayer. He thanked God that such officers and soldiers as the Sumter garrison had been left us and our flag, and prayed that they might be blessed and duly rewarded.

E. Detwiller Smith, United States District Attorney, then proceeded to make a short speech before addressing the oath. The dangerous heresy that soldiers should more allegiance than in respective states to their native land had been set up for partisan purposes, by a soldier of our army and navy; it was to counteract this influence in general, not because it was necessary in particular, that the ceremony had been directed to be observed. The oath was then taken, with the hand uplifted; Capt. Doubleday, Dr. Crawford, and Lieut. Elder standing in front. Mr. Beecher made a short speech, which seemed to please the soldiers. The gallant defense of Sumter, he said, was an act of which they might well be proud, for they had taken part in a noble deed, the importance of which was not equalled by any other in the present age and generation. It would be an honor to their children, and grand-children, and descendants; it would be treasured in their memories, and in the history of our country. Their assemblies heartily applauded the garrison as the lieutenants led them back to their barracks.

PARK BARRACKS.

The Tarrytown Volunteers, Capt. Chalmers, 77 men, left the quarters on the Park last night, and went to Tammany Hall. To-day they go into quarters on Staten Island. Capt. Rowe's Ithaca Volunteers were also quartered in Tammany Hall. These companies belong to the 1st California Regiment, Col. Maclellan.

GEN. DIX'S HEADQUARTERS.

General John A. Dix has established his headquarters in the State Arsenal on Seventh avenue. Offices are being prepared for him in the south side of the building, and will be ready by Monday.

ARRIVAL OF OUT-OF-TOWN TROOPS.

Two regiments from up the river were to have arrived last night, out up to a late hour they had not arrived. Quarters are prepared for their reception in the Park barracks. They number about 1,500; commanded by Col. Carr and Townsend.

UNION DEFENSE COMMITTEE.

Of the fourteen regiments which the Union Defense Committee is empowered to forward to Washington, the following were selected from our volunteers yesterday: 7th Regiment (Highland Guard), Col. Ellet; 8th Regiment, Col. Hawkins; 14th Regiment, (Brooklyn), and 2d Regiment, Col. Tompkins. They are to serve for the war, and will be sent forward immediately. The 14th will probably start to-day by railroad, going by the way of Baltimore.

VOLUNTEER DEPOT (GEN. YATES).

All disposable companies have been consolidated into regiments, subject to approval at head-quarters. Gen. Yates has received orders thus to consolidate all unattached companies.

Three companies of Brigadier General Sickles' command have applied for an order reducing their company organization, with the view of enlisting directly into the United States service. The companies thus disbanded were under the command of Captaines Mason, Keller, and Taylor, and were quartered at the Park barracks.

Two companies of the Garibaldi Guard, viz: Capt. Richard's and Capt. Wiggin's, also applied for an order reducing their company organizations. Gen. Yates will not assign them to any regiment until further orders are received.

The following elections for staff officers are reported:

Union Guards.—Colonel J. E. Kortright; Lieutenant-Colonel,

—Charles, Major.—Mountaineer.

New York Guards.—Colonel, Calvin E. Pratt;

Lieutenant-Colonel, W. H. Loring; Major, A. Douglass;

CONSTITUTION GUARDS.

This regiment, which numbers, as yet, only 150 men, was advertised yesterday, to go into quarters at Fort Tompkins, Staten Island, but has been delayed because the boats were not ready, and will therefore continue to hold stated out-door drills at Washington square.

TURNER RIFLES.

The 20th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers (German Turner Rifles) were mustered into the United States service on Saturday last, Captain Smith, the statement in relation to the worthless material of the uniforms of the Turners are made is not substantiated.

TWELFTH REGIMENT.

The remains of Thomas Bowring, of company K, Twelfth Regiment, who died in Washington, from the effects of a stroke, arrived in this city yesterday morning. The funeral will take place this afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from his residence, No. 118 West Twenty-fifth street.

A number of the members of company K will form an escort, and the members of the regiment now in the city will be present in citizen's dress.

REGIMENTS TO DEPART.

It is confidently believed that the Second, Ninth, Fourteenth, and Seventy-ninth will be ordered to Washington early this week. No decision has yet been come to in relation to the Eleventh and Fifty-fifth. The men are anxious to be ordered forward.

DISTRIBUTION OF BIBLIES.

A meeting will be held this evening, at Irving Hall, at which the details of the distribution of Bibles to soldiers will be announced. The speakers will be Dr. Tyng, Dr. Hitchcock, and Mr. Butler, the President of the New-York Bible Society. The meeting will be of patriotic character.

NEW-YORK BRITISH LEGION.

Additional quarters have been provided for the increasing numbers of this body at Forty-fourth street, North River. A parade will take place every morning at 9 o'clock. Men arrive daily from Troy, Boston, Albany, and Newark. Orders have been received from the Secretary of War to get the regiment in immediate readiness for active service. The recruiting headquarters are at the Mercer House, corner of Mercer and Broome streets, under the superintendence of Capt. W. R. Macdonald, Company D. A lady of this city has kindly bestowed a large package of underclothing, socks, and similar stores for the use of the recruits. The officers' headquarters are at "The House of Lords," No. 19 Houston street, east side of Broadway.

NEW-YORK BRITISH VOLUNTEERS.

At a meeting of the New-York British Volunteers, held at No. 338 Bowery, it was unanimously resolved to offer a vote of thanks to Mr. S. Myers, Commissary, for his great services to the wants of the corps, and for his liberal, wholesome, and well prepared rations, distributed punctually at the fixed hour. Also for his untiring zeal to give such comfort as under the confusion of the present moment demand great skill and experience. This heartfelt vote of thanks is tendered to him, together with the earnest desire that he will continue to hold his appointment so long as the corps exists.

THE ANDERSON ZOUAVES.

The New-York Ladies' Relief Union, meeting daily in the lecture-room of the Church of the Puritans, are now preparing garments for the Anderson Zouaves. They will be grateful for donations of shoes, or money to purchase them with, for the men in that regiment, who are much in want of articles of clothing and shoes. They are orders under to leave next Thursday, before which time it is important that they be comfortably housed. The ladies are in session at the lecture-room every day from 3 to 6 o'clock p.m.

NEW-YORK ZOUAVES (COL. HAWKINS).

A boat will leave Pocock ship at one o'clock to-day, to take any friends of the regiment to Kiker's Island who may wish to see their dress parade, or who desire to visit the regiment.

FIFTY-FIFTH REGIMENT.

At a meeting of the members of several companies of the La Fayette Guard, the idea of enlisting for two years did not meet with much favor, but all are ready to enlist for the war, be it one or ten years. If the La Fayette Guard are not sent out it will not be owing to lack of enthusiasm among the men.

PRESIDENT'S LIFE GUARD.

This is the title of a new regiment about being organized at No. 8 Beekman street, by Col. Goodwin of Missouri, formerly of the 7th Regiment, in this city. The commissioned officers are to be appointed by the Colonel in command, and are chosen with reference to integrity and Christian character.

SIXTH REGIMENT N. Y. S. M.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 7.—The services of the Regiment having been accepted by the Government, the members are hereby directed to assemble for parade and inspection (without arms) in Alton, Ill., on the 1st instant, at 10 o'clock a.m. The men are to march in double quick, with drums and fifes, in two columns, in Madison square, east side, right on Twenty-third street, on Monday morning the 20th inst., at 10 o'clock.

Officers will carry their overcoats strapped to their belts.

First Sergeants will report to the Adjutant ten minutes before 8 o'clock.

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